



State of Louisiana

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

August 18, 2009

Honorable Glenn Benton
Police Jury President, Bossier Parish
P.O. Box 70
Benton, LA 71006

RE: Wastewater/Sewer Improvement Project
AI #1.59090

Dear President Benton:

Congratulations! After a careful preliminary technical review of the Information you submitted in your Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF) loan application, your wastewater/sewer improvement project has been recommended for funding through the CWSRF program in the amount of \$17,750,000. This funding will be in the form of a low interest loan with a fixed rate of 0.95 percent and a twenty year pay back term.

Your project is recommended for the loan in FY 2010 based on the premise that you can incur the debt, have the demonstrated ability to repay the debt, can meet all the standard technical and engineering requirements as well as all conditions that are required under the state and federal guidelines to close on this loan.

Your timely response to this letter confirming your municipality's ability to meet the financial, technical/engineering requirements and all applicable state and federal laws to properly close on this loan is essential. Should you fail to respond in the next 30 days, or are unable to meet any of the aforementioned state or federal conditions or requirements necessary to close on this loan, we will use the funds to support the next municipality and will reconsider your application in FY 2011. Once again, your timely response to this letter is critical. In your response, please provide us with your timeline that verifies your ability to begin construction in the next twelve months.

If you have any questions, please contact me immediately at (225) 219-3957 or by email at bijen.sharafkhani@la.gov.

Sincerely,

Bijan Sharafkhani, P.E.

Administrator

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